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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE:  
DISAPPEARANCE OF DANIEL LAZARO RUS.

1. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 4 TO AMBASSADOR  
CASTRO REGARDING THE DISAPPEARANCE OF MR. DANIEL LAZARO RUS  
WHOSE COUSING LEO ORGANAK IS A CONSTITUENT OF YOURS FROM  
BAYSIDE, NEW YORK.

2. IN RESPONSE TO YOUR EARLIER REQUEST AND THOSE OF  
CONGRESSMEN DOWNEY AND CAPUTO, THE EMBASSY PRESENTED THIS  
CASE TO THE ARGENTINE FOREIGN OFFICE WORKING GROUP ON  
HUMAN RIGHTS ON SEPTEMBER 28, 1977. WE INDICATED TO THE  
ARGENTINE FOREIGN OFFICE THAT THERE IS CONSIDERABLE  
US CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN THIS MATTER. THE FOREIGN  
OFFICE HAS INSTITUTED A TRADE FOR MR. RUS THROUGH THE MINISTRY  
OF INTERIOR, THE FEDERAL POLICE AND THE ARMED FORCES. THEY  
EXPECT THAT THE SEARCH WILL TAKE AT LEAST SIX WEEKS.

3. PLEASE LET US KNOW OF THERE IS ANYTHING WE MAY DO IN THE  
INTERIM. WE SHALL, OF COURSE, INFORM YOU OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS.

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4. SINCERELY YOURS, MAXWELL CHAPLIN, CHARGE D'AFFAIRES.  
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